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In New York, prices were unchanged. Prices in other areas were generally higher on all eggs. The market tone was fully steady to mostly firm entering the week. Demand was usually moderate to occasionally good and was best where features were either in progress or planned. Supplies were sufficient and usually confidently held on all sizes. Breaking stock demand was light to moderate for adequate to ample offerings. Light type fowl were adequate to fully adequate for normal to less than normal processing schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 2 cents higher on the larger sizes and unchanged to .5 cents higher for mediums; in Boston, prices ranged 1-2 cents higher on the larger sizes and unchanged to 2 cents higher for mediums, when based on previous week average pricing. In New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was fully steady to mostly firm. Demand improved in some areas and ranged moderate to instances good. Supplies were generally adequate and held with increased confidence. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to ample for the fair demand. Light type fowl were adequate to fully adequate for normal to less than normal schedules.

MIDWEST Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin increased 2 cents for large, 1 cent for mediums and was unchanged for small. Prices in other reported areas were sharply higher on the larger sizes and 2 cents higher for mediums. Trade sentiment fully steady to mostly firm. Cartoned egg demand was moderate to good and showing improvement in most locations with reports of many operators gathering and holding inventories for the upcoming Easter holiday. Loose egg demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to instances barely adequate and confidently held. Central states nest run breaking stock mostly values were unchanged. Offerings adequate for the light to moderate demand. Many breakers were attempting to ride out the upcoming holiday with regular commitments and company owned production. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules mostly full-time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

CHICAGO Prices for larger sizes advanced 2 cents, smaller sizes increased 1 cent. The market tone was steady to firm. Retail and food service demand in a full range light to good, mostly moderate. Supplies adequate and held with confidence.

SOUTHERN In Atlanta and Florida, prices were sharply higher on the larger sizes and slightly higher on mediums. The market tone was fully steady to mostly firm. Demand improved and was usually moderate. Supplies were mostly sufficient, where available and remain confidently held. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending February 22, 2002 was 53.39 cents, 1.45 cents less than a week earlier and 19.80 cents less than last year. Breaking stock demand was fair and unaggressive for adequate to ample offerings. Light type hens were adequate to fully adequate for regular to reduced processing schedules.

WESTERN Prices 5-6 cents higher on jumbo, 6 cents higher on extra large, 6-7 cents higher on large, and unchanged to 3 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 3% higher than last week with California up 5% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 1%. Retailer demand fairly good. Offerings light.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged when compared to Friday's values. Trade sentiment entering the week was fully steady to firm. Retail and distributive demand was light to occasionally good, best for promotional activity either planned or in progress. Supplies were sufficient for needs and held with confidence.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	97-100	89-92	75-77
New York	63-67	61-65	47-51
Philadelphia	58-65	57-63	44.5-49
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	49.5-55	47.5-53	37.5-40
Jackson (1)	54-56	52-54	42-44
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	64-74	63-73	45-55
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	56-60	54-58	39-43
Detroit (2)	50-55	49-54	38-42
Major Ohio Cities (2)	52-56	51-54	36-40
Major Wisconsin Cities	53-60	52-58	38-43
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	74-77	69-73	53-55
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	92	86	72
(1) - Prices reported weekly		(2) - Delivered Warehouse	
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

CALIFORNIA Prices 5 cents higher on jumbo, 6 cents higher on extra large, 7 cents higher on large, and 3 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was 5% higher than last week. Retailer demand fairly good. Offerings light. Small invoice price 52. Ads in Northern California: major-extra large dozen 2 for \$4, 18 pack 199, 2 for \$6, large 18 pack 2 for \$3, buy 1 get 1 free.

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	94	JUMBO	229-279
EXTRA LARGE	92	EXTRA LARGE	219-249
LARGE	86	LARGE	189-239
MEDIUM	72	MEDIUM	169-199
PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.			
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	239-299	JUMBO	229-279
EXTRA LARGE	229-279	EXTRA LARGE	219-249
LARGE	199-219	LARGE	189-239
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	169-199

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending March 01, 2002 will increase by 15 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending February 22, 2002 were 228,107 cases which was 2 percent above the prior week and 20 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	181,086	47,021	228,107

% change from the prior week..... -6 +52 +2
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were unchanged. Offerings adequate for the light to moderate demand. Many breakers were attempting to weather the upcoming Easter market with regular commitments and company owned production. Heavy nest runs continue to be held with more confidence. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules usually full-time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.
PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	28-31	28-30
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-16	
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were slightly lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were normal and provided sufficient product to cover a fair demand. Trade sentiment was generally steady.
HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 25-FEB-02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD	AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-12 CENTS/LB.	8-9	8.83	
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.				

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were generally adequate for trade requirements. Demand was mostly fair but unaggressive. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. The undertone was steady.
HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 25-FEB-02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD	AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.75-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8.5-9	8.75	
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.				

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM FEB 25, 2002

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.3	19.4	9.1	12.9	13.6	66.3
	Change	1.5	-0.3	1.1	-0.7	1.6	5%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	29.3	37.4	14.7	26.9	27.8	136.1
	Change	-1.6	2.1	-1.5	2.8	-0.5	1%
Large	Curr Wk	47.2	102.9	86.7	79.3	110.7	426.8
	Change	12.0	-1.6	14.5	5.0	-4.9	6%
Medium	Curr Wk	16.4	36.2	19.2	24.2	29.0	125.0
	Change	1.2	-8.5	-1.1	1.2	6.9	0%
Small	Curr Wk	4.0	9.5	6.0	7.1	7.7	34.3
	Change	-0.5	1.4	2.1	2.6	-2.1	11%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.7	22.3	7.1	10.8	6.4	51.3
	Change	0.9	-1.8	0.0	-1.5	0.1	-4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	27.6	74.1	25.2	27.1	34.4	188.4
	Change	5.3	2.8	3.9	-6.9	5.7	6%
Total	Curr Wk	140.5	301.8	168.0	188.3	229.6	1028.2
Percent	Change	15%	-2%	13%	1%	3%	4%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1028.2	4%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	278.5	-10%	38

Total Shell Egg 1306.7 1% 208
1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

	NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
	121.7	307.7	149.0	185.8	222.8	987.0

Breaking Stock revised to 308.1

CANADIAN EGGS MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11, 2002

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	183.8	179.8	169.8	113.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 11, 2002 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	141	141	131	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR FEBRUARY 22, 2002

CURRENT LOADS	25.50	FUTURE LOADS	11.00	TOTAL LOADS	36.50
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		SE		NE		MW		LOADS			SC		NW		SW		LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GNR W 1	38.00	53.00	—	40.00	48.00	—	16.00		GNR W 1	—	52.00	—	—	—	—	—	11.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00		GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GNR W 4	—	—	26.50	27.50	—	—	1.00		GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	66.00	1.00	
GNR BR 1	—	—	49.50	51.00	—	—	1.00		GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	61.44	4.50	
GL W J	—	—	—	—	55.00	—	1.00		GL W LG	—	—	—	58.50	—	59.75	3.00	
GL W XL	51.00	55.00	47.50	49.00	50.55	—	9.25		GL W MD	—	39.00	—	—	—	44.75	1.25	
GL W LG	51.00	55.00	—	—	50.33	—	3.75										
GL W MD	—	—	32.00	34.00	36.00	—	3.25										
NRBS - 39	—	—	13.00	15.00	—	—	.25										

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 02/16/02-02/22/02

CURRENT LOADS	111.50	FUTURE LOADS	95.75	TOTAL LOADS	207.25
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		SE		NE		MW		LOADS			SC		NW		SW		LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GNR W 1	34.50	41.82	35.13	38.25	45.18	35.25	71.00		GNR W 1	38.00	48.50	—	—	—	—	—	35.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	36.00	8.00		GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	29.00	28.25	5.00		GNR W 4	—	23.50	—	—	—	—	—	2.00
GNR W 4	27.00	27.00	26.50	27.50	23.75	30.00	7.00		GNR BR 1	61.00	63.00	—	—	—	—	—	3.00
GNR BR 1	—	—	49.50	51.00	54.00	—	2.00		GL W J	53.50	—	—	—	—	63.64	2.75	
GL W J	—	—	—	—	53.71	—	1.75		GL W XL	—	53.67	—	—	—	57.61	17.00	
GL W XL	51.00	48.86	44.21	47.17	47.93	47.00	42.25		GL W LG	—	51.00	—	58.50	—	56.04	32.75	
GL W LG	51.00	46.54	42.25	43.75	46.70	49.00	48.25		GL W MD	—	41.50	—	41.25	—	39.32	8.50	
GL W MD	30.00	33.60	31.18	33.00	32.04	32.33	20.50		NRBS - 45	—	26.50	—	—	—	—	1.00	
GL W SM	—	—	24.00	26.25	—	20.00	2.25		NRBS - 42	20.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	
NRBS - 48	—	—	27.81	29.56	26.50	29.33	16.00		NRBS - 39	20.00	22.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00										
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	24.00	1.00										
NRBS - 39	—	—	14.90	16.50	—	18.50	10.25										
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	10.00	12.00	1.00										

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 02/10/02 - 02/16/02

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern, CA	# Cases Shipped To Central, CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern, CA	Total State
Arkansas	0	0	3,350	3,350
Colorado	0	0	3,649	3,649
Iowa	2,244	2,410	41,237	45,891
Michigan	0	0	840	840
Minnesota	0	0	5,040	5,040
Mississippi	0	0	850	850
Missouri	0	0	6,168	6,168
Nevada	0	0	643	643
New Hampshire	0	0	2,370	2,370
Ohio	0	0	4,150	4,150
Oregon	1,543	0	0	1,543
Pennsylvania	0	0	510	510
South Dakota	0	0	600	600
Texas	0	780	900	1,680
Utah	0	0	9,028	9,028
Washington	0	0	900	900
Wisconsin	0	0	1,114	1,114
TOTAL	3,787	3,190	81,349	88,326
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY	3,787	3,190	81,349	88,326

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
120-123	79-82	71-74	56-59	25-28

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

Receipts from the mainland: 2/10/02-2/16/02

30-dozen cases 5,993

Receipts from the mainland: 2/3/02-2/9/02

30-dozen cases 6,627

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
56-66	49-53	47-52	36-39	25-29

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
69.74	68.43	56.19	45.51

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
35-38	20-24	7-10

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	02/18/02	02/11/02	02/19/01
PACIFIC COAST	427	280	106
LOS ANGELES	384	242	77

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